



CAP and BELLS

OFFICIAL UNIFORM OF BEAUTY

Microscopic South American Soap

Washed to Make Impression on People.

For the seventeenth time in three

months the microscopic South American

state had undergone a change of

administration, and the new potentate,

President Casper the third hundred

and second, had summoned an artist,

and was ordering new designs for all

of his official uniforms.

"I want something striking," he de-

clared—something showy, even. My

people are impressed by such things.

Look them over, and be guided

by these ideas as far as possible."

The artist examined them carefully.

They were gorgeous affairs. Green

and red with crimson vests in bril-

liant, orange-colored trousers with

various of rainbow were there.

"All," he said, turning the pages.

"This is evidently for the navy, this

is for the army, this for the—what

is this, with the long plume on the

hat, the bright yellow

trim, trimmed with purple, and—"

"That," explained the president

laughing, "is for the secret police!"

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"Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

The foregoing quotation is from chapter xiii, verse 2, Book of Hebrews, and it is introduced solely because it constitutes a vital part of this story. Julia is ten years old and she goes to Sunday school. It appears that on a recent occasion the Sunday school teacher had considerable to say about this matter of "entertaining angels unawares." Anyway, it made a deep impression on Julia.

A few days after the lesson Julia's mother left her in charge of the house for a few hours. When the mother returned she went to a particular cup in the cupboard to extract therefrom one-half dollar. In this cup is kept the family pin money, and Julia's mother knew that she had put fifty cents there before she had gone out. But the half dollar was gone. There was an expression of anxiety on Julia's face and mother scented mischief.

"Did you take that money?" asked the mother, somewhat severely.

Julia broke into tears. "I gave it to a man that came to the back door," sobbed the little girl.

"Gave it to a man?" exclaimed the mother. "What for?"

"I thought he might be God," tearfully replied Julia.—Kansas City Star.

Muffled Knocks.

"Verena, bring Uncle Elijah another napkin; he has tucked that one under his chin."

"I was only joking when I said you had been calling on the manure, Mr. Plimmins; I can see that you have."

"It's awfully good of you to stay so long this evening, Mr. Spooner, suffering as you must be from those tight shoes."

"How much trouble it is to look after boys! I don't wonder, Mrs. Chucksley, that you seldom have time to wash Hobbys' face."

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"I see you devote a great deal of time explaining the exact operations of free trade and protection."

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum; "I have explained it so much that I honestly believe I am beginning to understand it myself."

Siberian Land Threatened.

Extensive tracts of land in Siberia are threatened by the encroachment of the great Gobi desert, and a plan has now been drawn up for a series of forest ramparts to hold back the salt and drift. The only effective defense, according to the report of agronomists sent to survey the region is in tree belts at least two miles broad. It is proposed to plant one of these from Samara to the Caspian sea, while others are recommended extending in intervals of about 40 miles right up to the Chinese frontier.

Sound Dramatic Sense.

Among the stories told by Arnold Bennett during his American tour was one about a young actress.

"Two men, just before her debut, were discussing this young actress's future," Mr. Bennett said. "The first man remarked thoughtfully: 'I believe her stage career will be extraordinary. She has a most remarkable dramatic sense.'"

"Yes," said the other man. "And how does this dramatic sense display itself?"

"Well," replied the other, "it displays itself best, perhaps, in the series of dinners at \$4 a plate that she has been giving week by week to all the dramatic critics and theatrical correspondents."

The KITCHEN CABINET

WE build the house where we may rest; And then, at moments, suddenly, We look up to the great wide sky, Inquiring wherefore we were born— For earnest or for jest?

—E. B. Browning.

DAINTY DISH FROM LITTLE BITS.

When a large amount of bread has been sliced, do not allow it to dry out, but pack in a jar and cover with a cloth wrung quite dry out of hot water, then place a plate over them and the bread will keep fresh. Sandwiches may be made and served at luncheon or supper and are always a welcome addition to the meal.

If you have a bit of boiled frosting left, add a few nuts and chopped raisins and drop on water. Bake in a hot oven until brown. These are nice with a salad.

Fondant left from French candies will keep indefinitely if kept in a covered dish, and may be melted over water and used for cake ings.

A few tablespoonsful of preserves may be used as a garnish for fruit salad, like pear or apple. Or it may be used as a filling for tarts, having more than one kind to use up odd bits.

A custard or chocolate ice cream may be used as a sauce for pudding if used within a short time.

Dainty pies may be made from left-over pie crust in the form of turnovers, of which children are very fond, or baked in gem pans and made like a grown-up pie.

Take your concocting friend a baked apple prepared thus: Wash and wipe the apple but do not peel, scoop out the core with an apple corer, beginning at the blossom end but do not make a hole way through for the small well is to hold a bit of butter, a tablespoonful of sugar and a grating of nutmeg or a bit of lemon peel. Surround with water if the apples are not juicy, and bake until thoroughly tender. Apples that do not keep their shape during baking are not so attractive baked in this manner.

Left-over icing or fondant, when making candy, the scrapings of the bowls, can be used to stuff daisies.

There is abundant evidence that all classes of vegetables and fruit may be held in a sound condition without the use of preservatives.

—Jordan.

SAVORY FISH.

Any fresh or salt codfish may be served in a chowder, making a very acceptable dish. If salt fish is used, soak and shred it, then add to the chowder the last few moments of its cooking. Fry a piece of salt pork cut in dice; a slice or two will be sufficient for a family of four or five. Fry a golden brown, add a sliced onion or two and a half dozen of sliced potatoes; just cover with water and cook until the vegetables are tender, then add the shredded fish (a half pound is sufficient), a quart of milk and half a dozen milk crackers which have been scalded in boiling water. Serve a cracker in each dish of soup.

Flaked Crab Meat Fricassee.—Cook one small green pepper, finely chopped, two small onions, four tablespoons of butter slightly browned, one and a half cups of crab meat, and cook five minutes. Add five tablespoons of flour and when well mixed pour on a cup and a half of chicken stock. Season with two tablespoons of orange juice, two of lemon juice, a half teaspoonful of paprika, salt and pepper to taste. Just before serving add a third of a cup of heavy cream and the yolks of two eggs diluted with two tablespoons of cream.

Savory Fish.—Cut a two-inch cube of fat salt pork into dice and try out. To three tablespoons of salt pork fat add the same amount of flour and stir until well blended; then add a cup and a half of milk; boil and add a cup of flaked halibut or haddock, three-fourths of a cup of potato cubes which have been cooked, then the pork cubes and the yolks of two eggs. Season to taste.

Oyster Fricassee.—To a cup of oysters, reserve the liquor, and heat boiling hot; add the oysters, and when plump remove, add enough cream to make a cupful, thicken with butter and flour blended, add an egg well beaten and pour all over well buttered toast. Sprinkle with finely chopped celery.

Willie Maxwell.

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WHEN HE MARRIES

Sense as Well as Sentiment Necessary.

By JEAN O. LOIZEAUX.

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Rivers scowled, tumbled his blonde hair, and slammed shut the law book before him. But Jefferson went straight ahead with his penicillin of Miss Rose Wentworth's charms. Finally Rivers grew tired of it.

"Confound you, Jeff! Stop raving and get to work on that probate case! If the practice of law absorbed you as girls do, in a year you'd be too famous to live with. Can't you get into your head that I am pursuing a profession and not a problematic wife? I hate fooling, and I can't be serious until I am professionally and financially established. I want to offer a woman something more than just my sweet self!"

Jefferson stared, astonished. John Rivers was a man of few words, and outwardly of small sentiment. But he had been roused. He went on.

"Let's finish this subject for good. Jeff, No. 1, I will not bear Miss Nannie Wiley about just to give you a chance with her guest. In fact, I hope Miss Wentworth will turn you down cold. It would be your salvation. What courting is done by this firm should be for favor with judges and juries and clients. Success comes from digging, rather than by grace of an Irish temperament and a talent for banjo playing. Sentiment's all right, but when a man marries, he needs sense also. A practical man chooses his wife, instead of letting himself be dragged to the altar by the first pretty thing that makes eyes at him."

"Quite a tirade, old man," commented Jeff bitterly. "You wait! Your time will come." Rivers was reopening his book.

"When it does I won't mander to you about it. Going after those depositions?" Jeff departed.

Rivers so lost himself in study that five minutes later he did not hear a slim, dark-eyed girl enter until she spoke his name. She was delicate and refined-looking and—afraid. He sprang up.

"Mr. Rivers? You're a lawyer—may I talk with you?"

He bowed her before him into the private office and closed the door. In a half hour he was ushering his graceful client into the outer hall as if she were a princess. Youth and beauty have their spell. For all the tragedy of her pale face and plain clothes she was like the spring. He gave her a last bit of advice as he opened the door.

"Look again for the papers and report soon. We'll do all we can. Perhaps the hope will keep your mother up a bit longer. Keep up your courage. Good morning."

Jeff, just entering, grinned maliciously.

"A bad business," said his partner, ignoring the grin. "She is Miss Annie Morrow. John Morrow of Atta was her father. He died some months ago and left things in queer shape. His widow, the girl's mother, thought there was at least \$20,000 for her in the State bank here. Though very close-mouthed, he had told her he was leaving her that sum. He was much older than his wife, and there was a son by a former marriage who has never recognized his stepmother and half-sister. The father had provided amply for him in cash."

Jeff was all professional interest. "No will?"

"The girl saw him make and sign one before witnesses which she can produce. But the will can't be found. And at the bank they found only about \$1,500! The bank people told her Morrow had withdrawn the rest six months before his death. His bankbook showed this. He took the money in very large bills, and there is no trace of it. The son denies all knowledge of it, and has not changed his mode of living. Now the girl says that the funeral and her mother's illness have eaten up all but about fifty dollars and she has gone to clerking at Atkinson's, at \$7 a week. Her education was ornamental, and she has neither time nor money for a business course. She has to spend her spare hours with her mother."

"I don't see how law can help," remarked Jeff shortly.

"No. But Miss Morrow wants me to hunt for a hope! Her mother can't at best live long, and would go peacefully if she was sure her girl would not be left penniless. I'll do what I can. Put a detective on the half-brother's trail. Meanwhile she says they ransacked every corner of the house they left for the will. They searched every paper and box for the bills or some account of them. The old man was queer and had no lawyer, but I am interested. Get those depositions?"

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hope, assuring her that so much money could neither be lost or hidden, that it would be found to have been well invested somewhere, and that when located any judge or jury would give it to the widow and daughter. He left her almost happy, clinging to his hand and begging him to come again.

This was in May, when the grass was greening on the slopes and the outdoor world began to be gay. Rivers related towards poor Jeff, the lover, and made himself useful escorting Miss Wiley. Miss Wentworth smiled on Jeff. And as for Nannie Wiley, Rivers soon began telling himself that if a man wished to marry, she was the woman to choose. She had health, dignity, beauty, social position, even a small fortune. Rivers wanted to be in love with her. Finally he made himself think that he was in love with her. She frankly preferred him to an extent that discouraged other suitors. One day walking with her on the street they met Annie Morrow in her little blue gown and simple hat. Rivers lifted his hat with an unconscious homage which Nannie Wiley instantly observed.

"Who is that pale little thing? Rather pretty, though."

"Miss Morrow, a client of mine." His very thought protected her from another woman's comment. Rather pretty! Why, she was lovely! He had a moment's pained wonder why Annie, during all his visits to her mother, held herself so aloof. She would give him a cup of tea, join courteously in the conversation, but she was his client, nothing more. She worked silently, courageously. And he more and more devoted himself to the failing invalid.

One balmy evening late in May he was dressing to go out with Miss Wiley, Jeff and Rose Wentworth, when Annie phoned him. Her mother was falling rapidly and wished to see him. Instantly he called up Annie Wiley, telling her that important work for a client had just come in, that keeping his engagement was impossible, that he would come out in the morning to be forgiven for having to deny himself a pleasure. She excused him prettily enough, but laughed over the phone.

"It's quite all right. Is it your pretty girl client?" He simply answered that the matter could not be postponed. Then he took the first car to the Morrow's.

The doctor and neighbors were there, and Annie met him at the door, appealing to him to exaggerate, do something to make her mother think the money would be found. This he did manfully, promising to be the girl's guardian, and see that all went well with her.

The end came suddenly. Annie was dry-eyed and white, with no word for anyone. He helped her through the funeral, but that over she went back to her work, refusing help from him further. She was going to keep the rooms to the month's end.

After that Rivers worried about her, went frequently to see her, and was so preoccupied that Nannie Wiley professed herself not greatly amused by his society. What troubled him was that Annie held to her queer, cool, impersonal attitude to him, as though he were an enemy, and not her guardian. He could not, moreover, bear to have her clerking in a store, growing paler and thinner. Together they had again searched all her father's effects, and in vain as before.

One Saturday night, on an impulse, Rivers went out and found Annie packing desperately. Her cheeks were flushed feverishly, and her eyes big and bright. He demanded explanations, standing over her.

"I'm going back to Atta, where we used to live. I can't stand this life. I may be a coward. It may be wicked, but I'm going." She could not finish, but he suddenly knew that she was telling him she was to be married. A wave of pain swept over him, and then he knew his heart.